

# 5 CAU Students Attend Ivory Coast Summit



By **TONYA LATIMER**  
News Editor

Five Clark Atlanta University students and one faculty member was among hundreds of delegates to attend the first African-African American "summit which was convened and chaired by Dr. Leon H. Sullivan in Adidijan April 9-12.

Angela Davis (junior), Charles Frisco (sophomore), Charles Godwin (freshmen), Dwan Pete (junior) and Christopher Williams (graduate student) were the students chosen to attend the summit and Dr. Eric Picard, director of the international training programs was the faculty member that attended.

According to Pete, CAU chose people whom they felt would represent the institution well and students who already had passports.

These students were identified as junior delegates. There were 40 junior delegates in all, representing White institutions and African American institutions.

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## Congressman Speaks at Ceremony



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Congressman John Lewis, Georgia 5th District, will deliver the keynote address at Clark Atlanta University's 1991 Commencement.

An estimated 400 undergraduate and graduate students will receive their degrees at the Atlanta Civic Center during the May 20th ceremony. In addition, Congressman Lewis will be presented with an honorary degree from the institution.

A strong supporter of the Civil Rights Movement, Congressman Lewis has dedicated his life to the protection of human rights. Displaying a sense of ethics and morality, he was first elected to Congress in 1986 in dramatic fashion by defeating longtime friend and fellow 60's activist Julian Bond.

Propelled by the desire to improve what he calls "The beloved community", Congressman Lewis has quickly won the admiration of many of his House colleagues. "Because of my background, I have a feeling that some Members put a certain trust in me," said Congressman Lewis. "I know what is going on in low-income

and minority areas because I grew up very poor on a farm as a sharecropper."

Though Congressman Lewis has heavy credentials, his selection as commencement speaker has sparked considerable discussion amongst those who are graduating.

"I'm not happy at all about it," said Quinton Robertson, a graduate student. "I haven't known (Congressman) Lewis to be the most popular of Black congressmen. What has he done?" Robertson added that he felt like the school could have invited a "African American with real power" such as Virginia Governor Douglass Wilder or Pennsylvania Congressman William Gray.

Phil Davis, a CAU senior, also voiced his concern about the selection of Congressman Lewis. "I feel like we (CAU) could have gotten someone who has done more outstanding and positive things for our race," said Davis. The music major expressed his urge to have a speaker who is a true motivator as well as someone who has done a lot of quality things for the African American race.

All students, however, were not unhappy with the institution's choice. "Congressman Lewis has done a damn good job representing Georgia in the House of Representatives," said Constantine Thomas, a CAU senior. "He is also a local politician, so in that respect he is a good choice."

As controversial as he may seem, Congressman Lewis is praised for his work ethic in Congress. Not only is the former Atlanta city councilman Congress's At-Large Majority Whip but he also serves on the Public Works Transportation Committee and the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. In addition, Congressman Lewis is a member of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

## SGA ELECTION RESULTS

By **SHERYL M. KENNEDY**  
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After an election loaded with restrictions and dissatisfied candidates, winners of the 1991 SGA elections finally emerged.

Pamela Malone was selected by the CAU student body to serve as the graduate SGA president. Ramona Houston won undergraduate president.

Cedric Washington ran unopposed for SGA graduate vice-president along with another unopposed candidate, Jayme Bradford who was named SGA undergraduate vice-president. Marcia

McCraven was elected SGA secretary, Tanya Kimbrough, SGA treasurer and rounding off the executive board as Miss CAU was Wanda Nesbitt.

The newly elected officers will officially take their posts by the end of the semester.

The new SGA officers are optimistic about their future jobs. "We are all excited about the results and our plans to improve student life," said Tanya Kimbrough.

*See Page 5 for editorial about the election results.*



The editors of the *Clark Atlanta University Panther* wish their readers a happy summer. This is our last issue. It has been a pleasure serving you this year. We encourage more of you to exercise your constitutional right to freedom of speech and expression. Join us in our efforts toward a more informed institutional community. Pictured (left to right) are William Blackburn, staff writer; Anthony George, sports editor; Tanya Latimer, news editor; Paulette Walker, editor-in-chief; and Sheryl Kennedy, lifestyle editor.

## 3 Students In Accident

By **AYODEJI GRIFFIN**  
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Three students of the Atlanta University Center were injured in an automobile accident when they were struck by a tractor trailer last week at approximately at 4:30 a.m. while travelling on Interstate 85 leaving the dance club, "Plastics."

According to Clark Atlanta University's campus minister, Rev. Paul H. Easley, the two Clark Atlanta University students, Angela Riley and Tracy Hopkins and the Morehouse student, Eddie Hopkins are no longer comatose.

Georgia State Police reported that the driver of the vehicle fell asleep at the wheel and the automobile went underneath the tractor trailer. As a result, the top portion of the automobile was severed.

Police stated that the passengers were lucky to be alive and that the injuries should have been more severe because of the impact of the accident.

The accident victims were rushed to Grady Memorial Hospital's Trauma Center.

"The students are now resting comfortably at Grady Memorial Hospital and have received support from the entire Atlanta University Center family," said Rev. Easley.

He added that the good thing was that the schools, staff and faculty rallied together to help support the families of the accident victims.

To express his concern for the students attending academic institutions in the AUC, he stated that students should be cautious while driving and should have experience in driving in metropolitan areas.

"I would advise students not to have automobiles during their first year of college; and if they do decide to bring their automobiles with them, then they should have it properly serviced and in good condition," said Rev. Easley.

In addition he supports more on-campus activities so that students would not have to drive to school functions and avoid potentially harmful situations.

## CAU Hosts Seminar

By **PAULETTE V. WALKER**  
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Clark Atlanta University and the U.S. Department of Labor are hosting a tri-partite training program for women representing 10 countries that include India, Poland, Nicaragua, Mali and Jamaica.

The conference opens April 29, on the campus of CAU and concludes May. The focus of the conference, "Women's Issues in the Workplace" and its intent is to expose the nearly 30 participants to a series of valuable experiences that will enhance their knowledge and job skills, according to Dr. Shelby Lewis, associate vice president of Research and Sponsored Programs at CAU's International Center. Dr. Lewis is also the coordinator for the conference.

Women participating in this two-week conference are leaders in their respective countries' governments, private industry and labor unions.

This type of learning-exchange is nothing new to CAU.

After 17 years as a social worker in Togo, Adjou Womas had "networked" and "brainstormed" before. But she had never heard the words until she and 18 other people from French-speaking African countries attended a four-week seminar at Atlanta University in 1988. This seminar was designed to help them help others to manage women's organizations in developing nations of Africa and the Caribbean.

During this seminar, the participants talked through teamwork theories, systems analysis, critical planning and computer literacy and how all these strategies could enhance their jobs. They got an opportunity to meet with U.S. business sector and found ways to better incorporate women in the African businesses.

Consider the following facts:

- Former Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru said in a speech shortly before his death in 1964, "One of the truest measures of a nation's advancement is the state of its women." For much of the time since then, India was ruled by a woman, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, Nehru's daughter. But according to recent reports and studies, little has changed at the lower levels of society to improve the lot of women in India.

- Secretary Elizabeth Dole worked hard and often to stamp out discrimination in the workplace but today, she contends in published interviews that "...despite the progress that women and minorities have made, discrimination is still rampant in the American workplace."

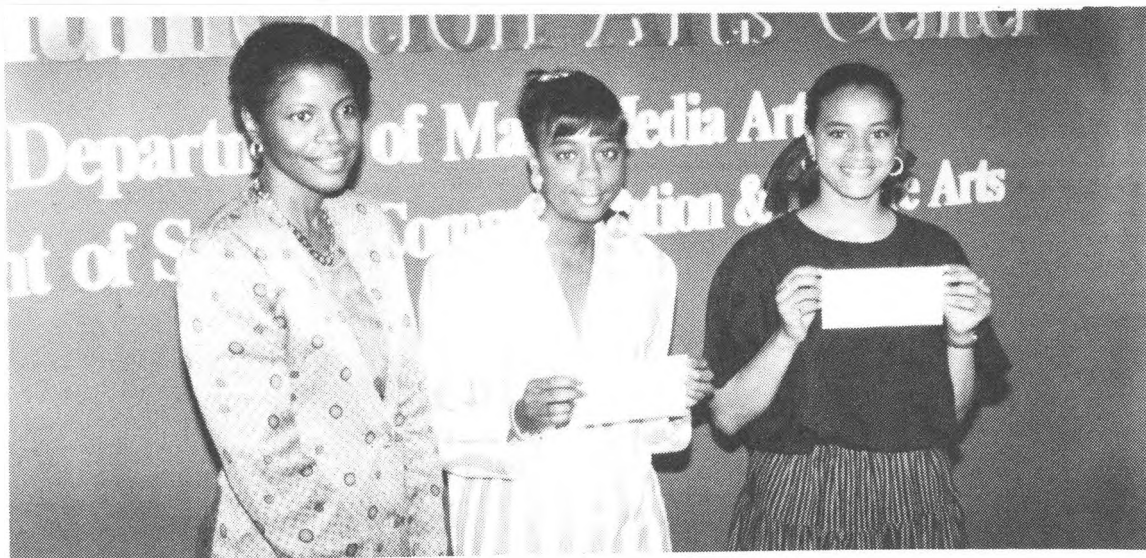
- In June 1988, the Independent Population Crisis Committee released a study titled, "Poor, Powerless and Pregnant." In the study, they ranked nearly 100 countries according to the status of women in the areas of health, marriage and children, education, employment and social equality.

The study concluded that Sweden led the world in the status of women, followed by Finland and the U.S., but women in Bangladesh suffer the greatest discrimination. Mali, Afghanistan, North Yemen and Pakistan were also at the bottom of the list.

The report went on to cite that "...no where do women enjoy equal status with men, but in the least developed countries of Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Latin America, crushing poverty overlaid with longstanding patterns of discrimination create living conditions for women almost too harsh to imagine."

The above facts may have provided the catalyst that prompted CAU to engage in this international exchange of information.

The conference will convene at 10 a.m. with Dr. Lewis, seminar director; Ann Kimbrough, University Relations; and Lou Beasley, Continued on Page 10.



A Coca Cola representative (right) presents Teramia Oliver (center) and Lisa Iris (right) monetary awards for their outstanding community service efforts.

## 26 Students Inducted in AKM

By **PAULETTE V. WALKER**  
Editor-in-Chief

Twenty-six Clark Atlanta University juniors and seniors were inducted in the Kappa Theta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu National Honor Society April 25.

President Thomas W. Cole Jr., a member of Alpha Kappa Mu, was unable to attend. He did, however, express pleasure over the number of inductees.

"We are fortunate to have a significant number of Clark Atlanta University students who excel in areas beyond the minimum academic standards at our University," said Dr. Cole.

These students, who were required to have at least a 3.25 cumulative grade point average before being considered for membership, sat in rapt attention as Dr. Willie Bolton challenged them to "...be the best and brightest for your sisters and brothers."

According to Dr. Bolton, a former professor at Clark College, honors students have a large responsibility; one that exceeds maintaining high academic standards.

"This calls for a renaissance student," said Dr. Bolton. "The honor that you are receiving today is good, but it's only one part of what you have to do to be a real honors person. You are responsible for the least of us; those who aren't as fortunate or

as intelligent."

Dr. Melvin Webb, Dean of the School of Education agreed saying, "you must remember, to whom much is given, much is required. This is an honor that signifies greater expectations. If we don't know our culture, we don't know ourselves. And contrary to popular belief, the pursuit of knowledge is a Black thing."

According to Jastasia Thomas, president of the CAU chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu, the students were chosen according to grade point average and had to be recommended by two faculty members and someone familiar with their community service and leadership activities.

"We also required them to write a paper on Black Scholarship, attend a cultural activity and to organize a community service project," said Ms. Thomas who was inducted in 1989.

Alpha Kappa Mu is a general scholarship honor society open to junior and senior men and women in all academic disciplines. It was founded at Tennessee State University in Nashville on Nov. 26, 1937. According to history, it grew out of an idea conceived by Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., then Dean of Tennessee A&I College.

It boasts a membership of

more than 75,000 "academically gifted and talented" men and women committed to continuing the pursuit of knowledge, developing and training intellect toward the end of making a positive contribution to improving the quality of life in communities and providing leadership and service to others.

At present, there are 79 active chapters located on the campuses of regionally accredited colleges and universities and six alumni chapters. The National Office is located on the campus of Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Va.,

The new inductees, in alphabetical order are: Candice Bates, Dawn Blackman, Jocelyn Bogen, Debbie Bowles, Yolanda Brinkley, Neisha Chisholm, Vickie Craft, Tracy Habersham, Cassandra Hayward, Monica Hill, Emily Howard, Senita Hunter, Tanya Kimbrough, Verna Lamar, Leslie Lewis, Delicia Lucky, Vicki Mack, Genola McKay, Edie Pearson, Terrance Perry, Sonya Richey, Tyrane Roberts, Terrie Stephens, LaNisha Thomas, Paulette Walker, Trecia Wilhite and Carmelita Williams.

"I congratulate the newest members of the CAU chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society," said Dr. Cole, "because you represent the type of student leadership that I am always so proud to brag about to our alumni and other supporters of CAU."

## STUDENTS AWARDED AT CAU

By **JAYME L. BRADFORD**  
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Over 200 students were honored for academic accomplishment

last Monday evening in Davage Auditorium. Roxane Viard, chairperson for the Awards Program Committee, presided over the program.

Students were recognized for being inducted into Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities, honor roll and academic dean's list. In addition, departmental awards were also given along with various scholarships.

One hundred and fourteen graduate students and 64 undergraduates were given certificates for Academic Excellence.

"The essence of Clark Atlanta University is educational excellence. The quality of our students not only depends on grade point averages but also commitment," said Dr. Thomas W. Cole Jr., president of CAU.

According to President Cole, the university has to earn its wings everyday by continuing to pursue excellence. He said that graduates from CAU represent a significant source of doctorates among African Americans.

Dr. Alexa Henderson and Dr. Charles Churchwell

presented the Who's Who and the Academic Excellence awards.

The George W. & Pearl D. Strickland Scholarship was given to George M. Strickland, Michelle Somerset, Beryl Kalisa and Henry Thurston.

Leia M. Jackson, Angela Vines, Bryant Matthews, Tonyesima Furro, Johnnie Myers, Assunta Fleming were selected for the Patricia Roberts Harris Fellowship.

The Chrysler Corporation gave away three scholarships to Jeff Rice, Brian McBroon and Karen Townsend. Union Pacific Foundation granted Marilyn Samuel with a fellowship. In addition, Karen Hayes received a scholarship from Exxon.

Leadership awards were also given to Elaina Jemison and Jamie T. Pleasant by Johnson & Johnson. The Time Incorporated Scholarship was awarded to Darren Bolden, Daryl Cobbin, Hillis Davis, Michael Hughes. Mesha Mendenhall received the Time and Sara Lee Foundation scholarships. Other Sara Lee recipients are Martin Mitchell, Patricia Powell and Kenneth Thomas.

Coach Willie Hunter, the Interim Athletic Director, gave the athletic excellence award to Millard Hamilton. Hamilton was recently drafted in the sixth round to the Buffalo Bills.

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# NEW HOUSING PLANS

By **NATASHA WILLIAMS**  
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"My job is to implement the new housing plan and make sure that it works," said Jerry Randolph, Director of Housing and Residential Life.

Randolph, the new housing director since March 1, explained the upcoming procedures for housing in the 1991-92 school year. "A lot of effort was made to improve living conditions and make it much nicer for the students", he said.

According to Randolph, the problem that most students were having was being able to pay the \$588 deposit. "The idea and concept of this entire plan was made before my arrival", he said.

According to Mali Dowdell, sophomore and resident of the E.L. Simon Courts, the problem that she and many other students were having was the short time period that they had to pay their deposits. "It seems as if they waited to the last minute to notify us about this deposit and now many people are worried about being housed on campus for next year", she said.

Randolph explained that the housing contract for the 1990-91 school year said that in the 1991-92 academic year half of the semester's housing charge must be paid by May 1. "Students who were housed for the 1990-91 year had to sign that contract and they probably did not read it carefully or were totally unaware of this information", he added.

Randolph said that another problem that some students were having were the new housing arrangements. He explained that the main campus will stay the same and still house incoming freshman. Whereas, the E.L. Simon Courts will now house seniors, married students and some juniors and a few sophomores.

"Entirely new changes will occur in Ware and Bumstead Hall", said Randolph. Ware Hall will be

for upperclassmen males and Bumstead will be for upperclassmen females."

Randolph explained that the renovated Ware and Bumstead Halls will have a dining hall inside the dorm, recreation rooms, security video cameras monitoring the doors and will also have special provisions for handicapped students.

"The problem that I have with Ware and Bumstead is that after living my entire freshman year in the dorm, I do not want to move back into a dorm," said Nicole Early, a freshman living in Holmes Hall.

Ms. Early explained, "We all thought that after freshman year we would be able to move to the Courts, but now they are telling us that we have to move back into the dorms."

Randolph said that he encourages sophomores to move into Ware and Bumstead because it is a renovated facility and it is an opportunity to move directly from the main campus. However, he added that curfew is yet another problem that the institution is concerned with. "The resident director and hall senate in Ware and Bumstead will sit and talk about a curfew", he said.

"The misconception about Ware and Bumstead is that it will be just like the dorms on main campus", said Randolph, but we have tried our best to make sure that the students will have the best living conditions possible."

According to Randolph the new dorm located on Beckwith street will be for graduate students only. He said that it will be a brand new facility that will include elevators for the handicapped, security screens on windows and ground floors, and excessive study space.

"I will try to work with the students by offering informational sessions and other programming activities," said Randolph. "If they continue to live in the residence halls, I want them to be happy."

## Awards Night At CAU

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The Artistic Excellence Awards were presented to Latangela Reese, Rhonda Houston, Roslyn Little and Sherman Irby by Dr. William Scott, the dean of the school of Arts and Sciences.

CAU awarded six scholarships. The Edward L. Simon scholarship was given to Mohammad Ali and Clarissa Jenkins. The James P. Brawley scholarship was given to Roderick West, Roosevelt Moore, Michael Bizer, Patricia Clingman, Lakesha Gage and Denise Powell.

Gregory Hester received the Benjamin E. Mays Scholarship and Debbie Bowles was given the A. A. McPheeters Award. Phillip Hampton was also awarded from the Vivian Wilson Henderson Scholarship Fund.

The Joseph J. Dennis Scholarship was awarded to Lanisha Thomas, Verna Lamar, Leticia Cook and Sonya Richei.

## Students Should Not Wait To Study for Final Exams

By **VERONICA FIELDS**  
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Taking No-Doze, drinking coffee and getting little or no sleep are things that people do when they are trying to cram for final exams.

For some people this system may work and for others it may not; everyone cannot study the same way, but there are some general guidelines that people can follow to find the method that suits them: (1) Look at your notes for a little while everyday rather than wait until the night or morning before the test. (2) Go to tutorial sessions. (3) Do practice assignments/questions. (4) Study in groups. (5) Read textbook assignments. (6) Do not wait until the last minute to ask for help.

Another way to improve study skills is to enroll in the test-taking skills course offered by the Student Assessment Center, located in McPheeters-Dennis. The sessions are offered in February and October and are taught by people with knowledge in each area the tests cover.

Dr. Carson Lee, director of the Assessment Program also offers some valuable advice. He feels that it is important for students to have some knowledge about what they should study because there is nothing like knowing the subject matter.

It may be too late for some people to adhere to the advice given but it is still useful information to have to get a head start on next semester.

## SENIORS SING THE BLUES

By **SHERYL KENNEDY**  
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With less than a month until they are able to finally dazzle a captive audience with a stroll that has been in the making for four years, Clark Atlanta University seniors look forward to May 20, with fond memories and some unforgettable college woes.

As they say a final farewell to CAU, many graduating seniors such as Sabrina Borrum, majoring in psychology, have taken their positive and negative experiences at the university to better prepare themselves for an unpredictable future.

"I will never look back at my college career with any bitter words, just take all the various situations to handle those unfair obstacles life throws in my direction," says Miss Borrum.

From her sometimes comical residential life in Merner Hall her freshman year to facing everyday challenges with uncompromising professors, this Savannah native says that though she has positive memories while attending CAU, the young institution could strengthen some of its academic programs.

"In my area of study, we need more classes that will give students a wide variety of information versus a few classes that touch on the same subject and just rephrase old information," remarks Miss Borrum.

She also notes that there should be a larger number of professors in each department to avoid teacher burn out. This is more commonly associated with

not only teacher, but anyone who is overworked and required to complete work that two or three people are expected to handle.

Miss Borrum says in her department there are five teachers responsible for communicating more than two subject matters each which more than overworks the professors, but could hurt the student because through exhaustion vital information could be left out.

Aside from her cries for more faculty, Ms. Borrum says that students overall should be better prepared for their intended careers. She says that all majors should incorporate required seminars, workshops and an internship for at least one semester throughout the student's academic career.

Among her list of things to be most proud of, she gladly admits that she has never had trouble with the financial aid office.

Along with a sigh of relief, Ms. Borrum says that she awaits graduation day because it will allow her to further grow in psychology. She plans to attend graduate school at West Georgia and later she would like to receive a Ph. D. in counseling.

She says that though senior year at CAU has had its doses of frustration, she's confident that she will be more than successful, but truly happy in life. "I've learned this philosophy throughout my experience here at CAU, only from your failure you gain knowledge," says Ms. Borrum.

Though Ms. Borrum has few regrets about attending CAU, another senior views things

slightly different. James Harris, a graduating senior studying finance, says that his senior adventures at CAU have held several unsolicited twists.

"I'm excited about graduation, but I'm disappointed in the university and how it has handled financial aid to senior fees," says Harris. Like Ms. Borrum, Harris says academics at the university should be increased not by the number of courses a student must take before graduation, but the quality of the courses.

"The most frustrating thing is going to an interview and finding out the endless hours of studying has not prepared me at all, but if I would have been required to have an internship, I would have that extra edge," says Harris.

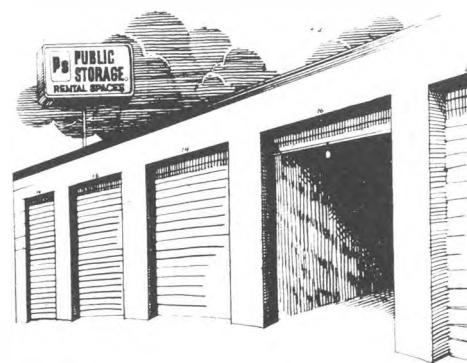
With much hesitation, Harris says that he did not regret his decision to come to CAU, but has strong reservations about sending the next generation of Harris to the institution.

"The university has a bright future ahead, but until it can overcome the problem of poor communication between administration and the student body and develop an effective system for financial aid, CAU will always be last to progress," comments Harris.

According to most seniors, poor communication has been the hardest and most unfair obstacle thrown in their path before graduation. Each year senior fees are an expected expense which covers invitations, rental of cap and gown and a reception following graduation.

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## How To Cram For Summer



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## Go To Africa!

By DWAN PETE  
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If you haven't been to Africa, you need to go. Seriously. Now, I know that that is easier said than done. Let's face it, we college students are broke.

But if you can't go while in college, go at some point, the sooner the better. The experience might change your perspective on a lot of things. It did for me.

I was fortunate enough to be one of the five CAU Junior Delegates to attend the First African/African American Summit in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire, Africa, from April 14 - 20. The most important thing I gained was a greater sense of connectedness with Africa. When I truly realized that I was in a country, in a continent, where the vast majority of the natives look just like me, it hit me. When I was welcomed with open arms by my African brothers and sisters in Abidjan, in Yamoussoukro, in Dakar, it hit me. And when I returned to America and received the ever-so-familiar icy or uncomfortable stares from Euro-Americans, it hit me like an anvil: when I was in Africa, I was truly home.

Many African Americans (myself included, before my trip) don't feel as great a bond to Africa as they should, partially because the bond is de-emphasized by America's Eurocentric media and education system. We normally don't have the opportunity to learn much about African history in America's schools until we reach the college level.

So what's the solution? As always, what others do not do for us, we have to do for ourselves. We need to begin educating ourselves about our African heritage and history. Whether it is by reading more on the subject or by actually visiting Africa, we need to learn more about our heritage.

"Well, I don't know what part of Africa I'm from--how am I supposed to learn about my African roots?"

Pick a country. Pick a region. And learn about it. Don't let such a weak excuse stop you from learning about your people.

"The books on African history are Eurocentric and stereotypical."

That's another excuse that needs to be discarded. If we can't find Afrocentric textbooks, and we know that Euro-Americans aren't going to write them, why not write the textbooks ourselves? Do for ourselves.

But, the easiest way to educate ourselves about Africa, at least today's Africa, is simply to talk to Africans. For AUC students, it's talking to African students, especially African students who have just recently come to America. Some African American students claim to be sooooo Afrocentric, yet can't get past the fact that "those Africans" "don't wear any deodorant!" Those who can't get past that pettiness and never take the time to talk to "those Africans" (as if they have no African blood as well) don't really feel that 'those Africans' are our brothers and sisters. Those who wear the beads and the Malcolm X T-shirts, but have yet to shed the small-minded Eurocentric intolerance are missing a true sense of connectedness with their African heritage.

We don't have to pack our bags and go back to live in Africa to get a sense of our African roots. But, we do need to pack up and discard any Eurocentric garbage in our minds that deemphasizes and belittles our African heritage.

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## Graduates Must Give Back

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When the graduating class of 1991 their oath at the ceremony -- professing to be a loyal alumni of CAU and give as they have received -- they will be given the opportunity to change things they disliked.

When I became a Panther, I remember walking around on campus grounds and seeing the plain, boring landscape.

This scenery surrounded was my friend's dorm whom I visited often. I was appalled by their living conditions. The rooms were small and dark, the floors were brown.

Many times I would walk over to Spelman and see my friend, Allison. The Splendor of Spelman! There is a drastic difference between CAU and Spelman's landscape.

Spelman had blue and purple morning glories and poppies neatly aligning the pavement. Tall, green bushy shrubbery led to the auditorium and I even saw a plant like my mother had in the living room. And Allison's dorm room at Spelman outshone Clark's by leaps and bounds.

Spelman has these benefits, because people give back to the college. I am aware of the Rockefellers giving money to Spelman, but people with less of an account donate money, particularly, the alumni.

At CAU, we can be charitable beginning with the 1991 graduates.

I talked to a prospective graduate about giving back and she said, "I cannot give back to this school because the registration process is long and unorganized, and the Financial Aid Department has put me through a lot."

She is not the first to go through this nor will she be the last. If she were to give monies, maybe the school could buy more computers to speed up the registration process. Graduates have a responsibility to change the negatives they experience now into positives for future CAU students.

Anyone graduating from CAU should be eager to give back. The institution has prepared us for a career in the world. The class discussions that future graduates participated in should have awakened their senses to issues affecting society, and the world and African Americans.

I cannot forget that almost everyday instructors at CAU share their knowledge and experience with

students. They remind us of how difficult it is in the world and how you have to be prepared, because someone out there has an edge over you. What about that instructor who is not so encouraging? Even this person has taught us something, because like this instructor employers are not always tactful.

Clark Atlanta University gave you all of this. We did pay thousands of dollars in tuition, to fund our education and some may respond to this commentary, "I gave back by paying tuition." Some things we received at CAU, money cannot buy, even Rockefeller and Cosby know this.

I am a mass media arts major with a concentration in public relations. During my sophomore year, I intended to leave CAU because the college did not have a concentration in advertising.

I stayed at CAU, because general education instructors were positive and always concerned about my best interest. They gave me one-on-one attention.

I was unable to write legibly with my right hand, and it would take me hours to complete an assignment. My general education instructors allowed special privileges, including taking time to read my writing which resembled that of a 4-year-old, without complaints. I will never forget it. That's why I sacrificed my talent in advertising to remain at CAU.

It would be great to give back computers to my department.

I remember watching "Full House," a comedy on NBC and seeing a character that was played by a 12-year-old and the editor of her school paper. She said, "I could type this on the computer." This depicts elementary students and middle school classrooms of today. CAU mass media arts majors use typewriters like Perry Mason used on "Ironside." The CAU alumni, particularly the mass media majors should make typewriters and computers top priority.

During senior week, I kindly ask all prospective 1991 graduates to make a list of things that need sprucing up around campus. Remember, you are making it better for other students and trying to rank CAU higher than nine on Emerge's list of Top 10 Schools. We can show other schools in the AUC, we do not need celebrities' bank accounts to be an outstanding university. 1991 graduates have these gestures, too.

You do not give to receive, but when you do it comes back threefold.

## A "C" Queen For An "A+" University

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Clark Atlanta University. An institution thriving in the largest consortium of African American centers of higher learning in the world. CAU boasts that it's above average, constantly striving for excellence. A school with a A+ average. One Exceptional University. It's only befitting that such an institution be represented and led by students who exemplify these "A+" ideals.

CAU recently held elections for various leadership positions on campus. I enjoyed this campaign, because I noted that many qualified candidates were running. By "qualified" I mean students who are well-rounded with a history of community service and a respect for high scholastic achievement.

I am generally pleased with the outcome of the elections. Pamela Malone, the victor in the Graduate SGA race has a long history of "progressive programming." She has instituted several programs during her time here, geared toward uplifting African Americans and providing role models for children. Her tenure is promising, but she has a bit of housecleaning to do in light of the "secret" resignation of last year's Graduate SGA President, Mary Lacy. Ramona Houston, a young lady who has been making strides in closing the gap between students and the surrounding community since she set foot on campus is to be applauded for her victory as well.

Perhaps the most controversial race this year had to be for the crown of Miss CAU. Five young ladies -- Earnelle Pritchett, Joyce Mitchell, Benita Kimball, Wanda Nesbitt and Ravena Baskerville -- vied for the chance to represent CAU locally and nationally in pageants, conferences and in other official capacities. Historically, if sporadically, CAU has enjoyed queens who not only were talented, personable and articulate, but also had a long list of solid academic achievements with grade point averages to match.

Miss CAU 1990-91 is a perfect example; an accounting major, this young lady juggled an active record of community service, maintained an excellent rapport with the student body and the administration and will be graduating with a cumulative GPA of approximately 3.7. When she represented CAU in the United Negro College Fund conference and the National Black Collegiate Pageant, people were wowed with her intellect as well as her talent and personality. Miss Wilhite explained to me that some pageants she competed in required that she have at least a 3.0 grade point average.

Unfortunately, it seems the student elections committee (SEC) doesn't share Miss Wilhite's adherence to excellence.

By most measures, our 1991-92 Miss CAU is quite a young lady. Many students are fond of her pleasing personality and winning ways. But there are others who are uncomfortable with academic standing. Our new Miss CAU is a psychology

major. She entered CAU in the fall of 1988. By most computations, this should place her currently as a

"rising senior," but reports have shown that she has only accumulated enough hours to be presently classified as a sophomore. Strike one.

When candidates were rushing to fulfill the requirements to run for office, many were dismayed and upset when they found the SEC had extended the deadline for applications. No one knew why, but it was rumored that the SEC made this move in order to allow this young lady to get her materials in. Strike two.

Further investigations have shown that this likeable young lady has a 2.5 GPA. Strike three. Now, this average is not BAD and it does meet the requirements according to the recently revised student handbook. But shouldn't students who are selected to represent this exceptional university have "better-than-average" credentials?

For the fall 1990 semester, approximately 600 CAU students were listed on the Dean's List. Most of the victors in the recent elections fell into this category. Unfortunately, we can't say the same for our queen.

I knew of her academic "credentials" when debates were held a couple of weeks ago. I raised my hand to ask the candidates how important academic averages were to the role of Miss CAU; unfortunately, my hand was "mysteriously" overlooked and so was my question. So I now ask, "Just how important is academics at this institution of higher learning?"

I raised this question to some students. Isaac Washington, former SGA vice president said, "Is this the best we could come up with?" he asked. "I thought we were growing as a institution; we no longer need a pretty girl as our queen or 'Miss Popular.' There are enough beautiful sisters with brains to match; sisters who exceed the minimum requirements."

Mr. Washington explained that during his tenure as SGA vice president, members of that administration called for an increase in the minimum requirements which included an increase in the minimum GPA. Their efforts were squashed because "...too many average people wanted to maintain the status quo."

President Thomas W. Cole, Jr., a man well-known for his respect and admiration of academic achievement, was recently quoted in an article (printed in this issue) about honor students. He said that he was proud of the students because they gave him a chance to brag. Will he be able to brag about our queen during the upcoming school year?

This is not an attack on our queen. This is not an attack on those who put her in office, how were they to know of her academic standing? But I do question the ethics of the SEC; this governing body that has caused so much controversy.

I'm afraid that Miss Nesbitt's victory brings to question the legitimacy of Miss CAU as a viable political figure all together. It places her role back in the status of pageantry and popularity contests.

I will be leaving my beloved "...school on the hill," in a couple of weeks, but I look forward to the day when I can come back to one exceptional university ... not one AVERAGE university. This won't happen if we continue to allow mediocrity to invade our halls.

decorated room, I took in the freshly polished wood board-room table, CAU china cups and laughter amongst the deans as they kissed up to the Congressman.

As the meeting proceeded, Dr. Lou Beasley brought up issues to many of the Congressman's statements. To my surprise, an air of ambivalence fell upon the room.

The topic of discussion shifted quickly to the issue of President Bush's veto of the 1987 Civil Rights Restoration Act. An Act whose chief opponent for the Republican party in the House of Representative was good ole Newt Gingrich.

On May 20, 1987, the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources voted to close a major loophole in our civil rights laws. The bill, S.557, or what is commonly referred to as the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (Pub. L. NO. 100-259, 1988) seeks to restore the broad scope of civil rights coverage that had been diluted by the United States Supreme Court decision in Grove City College V. Bell, 465 U.S. 555 (1984).

This Act was designed to clarify and promote the universal application of the following statutes: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (42 U.S.C. Section 2000 d0, (1964), Title IX of the education Amendment of 1972, Pub. L. NO. 92-318, 86 Stat. 373-75 (codified as amended at 20 U.S.C., Section 1681-86, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 29 U.S.C., (Section 623), and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. It's important to note that during this period of time, Congressman Gingrich was holding on to President Ronald Regan coat-tails as he vetoed this legislation.

With the assistance of the U.S. Catholic Conferences of Bishops, American Jewish Congress, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, National Rights to Life Committee, Inc., an unequivocal message was sent to the then President Regan. On March 22, 1988, Congress voted to override President Regan's Grove City Veto; the senate voted 73-24, and the house voted 292-133, clearly more than the two-thirds necessary to override the Presidential Veto.

In light of his political inclinations, why would CAU invite him to this institution rather than Senator Edward Kennedy who introduced the Act on February 19, 1987?

If it had not been for these "quotas" that the Congressman so vehemently opposes, many

of our "hand-shaking" deans wouldn't have been allowed to attend institutions of higher learning. Even though we witness quotas take on the connotation of set-aside, which we saw the only female appointed to the United States Supreme Court, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor so elegantly strike down in, City of Richmond V. J.A. Croson CO., US-109 S. Ct. 706 (1989), we

still find it necessary to laugh and talk with persons who have a history perpetuating ill-will upon our people.

It must stop and it must stop now! The nerve of these deans or anyone in the "administration" to broker our futures and the future of our prosterity to the exclusion of dissent. And I dissent now and forever in the future the conduct exhibited by those who propose to represent us at that meeting.

I have placed before you facts and authorities which support the position that "Quotas" were the trade-off for the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Read the arguments presented by those opposing the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Better yet, recall President George Bush's reasoning for why he vetoed the Civil Rights Restoration Act, and wonder why our educators would find it necessary to discuss our future with our chief opponent. The time has come for us to learn from the process of trial and error and not keep repeating the same mistakes.

The congressman discussed the issue of Bush failure to pass the Civil Rights Bill. Gingrich made no hesitation to say the "...we (meaning his other politic buddies) agree on 80% of that bill." He went on to say that they should just pass the civil rights bill; as for the 20% that they didn't agree on, he said: "Let's just have a part and discuss it after the bill is passed." What the congressman failed to mention was that that 20% is very important.

That infamous 20% deals with very serious issues such as quotas for African Americans. In fact, the United States Commission

on Civil Rights has taken a stand to let President Bush know that they are unhappy with the veto of last year's civil rights bill. Recently appointed to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is Frankie Freeman, who is the first woman ever to be appointed. She has made public comments that President Bush must recognize the civil rights bill for its full value and not recognize it as a quota bill. The stand that Freeman and the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights has taken proves that all is not "peaches and cream" as far as the 20% of the bill that Congressman Gingrich said "let's just forget about."

I hope this editorial has shed some light on how we as African Americans have got to stop believing everything the "good old" politicians are telling us. When will we ever realize the process of trial and error is to learn from our mistakes and not to keep repeating them. As far as the administration of this university is concerned, you guys have made significant progress. However, incidents such as the meeting with Congressman Gingrich show just how far you have to go in order to be an administration that will stand for something or fall for anything.

## Administration Sells Out

By **CYDNEY WILLIAMS**  
Contributing Writer

Congressman Newt Gingrich from the Sixth District was on the campus of Clark Atlanta University, Mar 28, 1990. You probably didn't know this, but don't feel bad; you're not alone. Perhaps there was a reason for this "lack of knowledge," but I knew, I attended and here's the scoop.

Dr. Charles Churchwell (Interim Provost and Dean, School of Library and Info Services) was in attendance as was Dr. Lou Beasley, Dean of the

School of Social Work; Dr. William Scott, Dean of Arts and Sciences ... wait a minute, by the time I name everyone who was there along with their "sentence-long" titles, it would take up an entire page. Suffice it to say, these were the big potatoes -- the in crowd. I will state for the record, that our "head potato" Dr. Thomas W. Cole, Jr. was also in attendance.

A cutline in the April 1, 1991 issue of the Panther read, "Congressman Newt Gingrich met with Administrative officials

at Clark Atlanta University recently to discuss possible federal grants to the university." Should we as accept crumbs from a Congressman whose record of continual opposition of minority causes remains consistent and firm? If in fact federal grants are available, shouldn't we instead upgrade our grant proposal and administration skills to a standard that will qualify us for federal grants without the "help" of this Congressman?

As I sat in this nicely



## Around The Yard

By **SHERYL KENNEDY**  
Lifestyle Editor

### NEW DORMITORY AND RENOVATION PROJECT NEAR COMPLETION

The new three story dormitory, designed primarily for CAU graduate students, is near completion. The dormitory will have 150 rooms and 75 baths with each pair of rooms sharing a bath. Though the floor plans for each room are the exact same size, some rooms will be made into doubles. Another plus to the building is that it's completely air conditioned. Each floor will have student rooms and recreation lounge. The dormitory is expected to hold 225 students and to combat the problems of off-street parking before it starts, a parking lot is being paved adjacent to the building which will accommodate 132 cars. The new facilities is planned to open this fall. At present, a name for the campus addition has not been made public.

Ware-Bumstead Dormitory is receiving a much need facelift. The dormitory was built in 1933 to provide on-campus housing for Atlanta University students. This building holds a great portion of history around the Atlanta University Center and the around metro Atlanta. The red brick three story dormitory will be completely renovated by the 1991 fall semester. The finished project will result in 215 rooms, containing 400 beds. The newly renovated building will house undergraduate students only, specifically sophomores and juniors. There will be nine suites, four quads, five triples, 163 doubles, 32 singles and two dean's apartments. The floor plan will also allow for six study lounges, nine recreation lounges and two laundry rooms. A cafeteria and dining room will be in full service with all new kitchen and service equipment.

Both of the packages together totaled \$10 million and was funded through a bond issue and a loan from the U.S. Department of Education.

### CAU WELCOMES RETURNING NEIGHBORS

The city of Atlanta is slowly reopening sections of John Hope Homes. The project has been underway for a year and the renovation efforts have given the establishment a totally different look. All work on the homes is expected to be completed by the fall and all residents should be moved in by the end of 1991. Along with the new windows, doors and kitchen applicancies, residents that were interested in moving into the complex had to attend seminars sponsored by the city of Atlanta that re-emphasized housekeeping skills. The seminars were required for anyone who wanted their application reviewed. This was the city's small effort to ensure that proper maintenance would be enforced the second time around.

### GREEK LIFE

Under tight supervision by administration and an entire new set of rules deemed by each national headquarters, a few greek letter organizations were able to induct new members. Among the seven greek letter organizations that were able to add neophytes to their organization were: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Since pledging was banned, the induction process for most of the organizations remained a mystery and increased more spot checks and nosey snoops by administration and people who just think greekdom is an unnecessary part of life.

### SWEETS PLUS HAIR COME CLOSE TO CAU

From candy coated treats to the famous Polish sausage sandwiches, Sweet Tooth Delights opened for business on April 16. The new African American owned business is located next to the E.L. Simon Courts on Fair Street. The husband and wife duo, Tamara Rodger and Tyrone Rodgers, moved to the Atlanta from the windy realm of Chicago. The business is open from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. during the week and stays open until 3 a.m. on the weekend. In order to cater to the student body, Sweet Tooth Delights will remain open 24 hours during the week of final examinations.

Located across from the Robert Woodruff Library, Top Of The Line Beauty Salon opened its doors at the beginning of April to the public. It is another African American owned business. This salon is the third salon to open as part of chain of Top Of The Line salons. One of the owners, Adam Williams, says that the salon will offer a full line of service designed for both males and females with low student prices incorporated throughout the year.

### CAU COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE

Combining undergraduate and graduate students, this year the CAU family expects a graduating class of close to 400. The commencement speaker will be Congressman John Lewis of Georgia's 5th District. It will be held Monday, May 20 at 10 a.m. in the Atlanta Civic Center.

### THE COURT VOICE SPEAKS

*THE COURT VOICE*, a publication circulated amongst residents in the courts, is sparking the attention of students and some administrators. The newsletter usually discusses topics around campus such as inadequate housing, unfair tuition increases and the roles of student as well as school leaders. Right now, the staff is small and members say that they have experienced some unexpected damaged to their room, located in the birdcages, because of their opinion about the recent student elections. Unfortunately, the room was broken into and trashed by some unhappy readers. The students involved say they have alerted CAU security about the incident and it is under complete investigation. *THE COURT VOICE* is planning to release a final issue before the end of school.

Remember, an opinion is only an opinion and damaging someone's property doesn't solve the situation, but just adds fuel to the fire.

### CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST HONORED

Popular leaders such as Rev. Jesse Jackson, former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young and Mayor Maynard H. Jackson came out to the renaming ceremony of Gordon Road to Ralph D. Abernathy Blvd. Rev. Abernathy was a famous leader during the civil rights movement. The ceremony took place April 28 and 200 supporters including Rev. Abernathy's wife and children gathered to celebrate. Portion of Georgia Avenue, Lee Street and Gordon Road will be renamed.

## Students Working Overtime

By **VERONICA FIELDS**  
Staff Writer

Research papers, daily homework, mid-terms and finals are part of college life that puts some students under stress and pressure. But, having additional responsibilities aside from school makes college a real test of endurance and maturity.

Holding down a job or two and being a full-time student can be both rewarding and frustrating and there are many students here at Clark Atlanta University who are willing to make those sacrifices.

A limited social life, less free time, being unable to attend or participate in school sponsored activities, finding time to do homework and then relax are some of the disadvantages of

working and going to school.

Added responsibilities such as paying bill and debts, tuition, rent and having money to supplement an allowance are some of the reasons students give for working.

Lauri Ealom, a public relations major from Kansas City, Mo., is an operator for a 1-800 service. Her day begins at 9 a.m. with class at CAU and after her classes are over, she goes to work from 4 p.m. to 12 midnight.

She says that because she goes to her job in the evening, she has to do her studying at work or else it will not get done. "Ninety-nine percent of the time I have to do my homework at my job and fortunately, I have a job that enables me to do that."

Miss Ealom says that her job

hinders her social life because by the time she gets home from work, all of her friends have already gone out for the evening.

She says that sometimes working can be depressing, but it depends on what state of mind she is in.

Andrew Lane, a business administration management major from Atlanta, works as a customer service representative for MARTA and at the Classic Tie Company in Underground Atlanta.

Lane says that this year has been really tough on him, especially since he is a graduating senior. "I could have made the decision to sit out a semester, but this is something I really want to do."

After graduation, he has two

job offers, one to work for MARTA in the administration area and the other from the Classic Tie Co. to be their area manager.

"The best remedy in situations like this is time management. If you do not manage your time, it can really get hectic and wear you down," says Lane. He also stressed the importance of self-motivation.

Chelee Harvard, a biology major from Newark, N.J., works in Underground Atlanta at Frankly My Dear and for Student Support Services.

Ms. Harvard says that working two jobs gives her the incentive to do her homework. She says that what she is doing now is not what she wants to be doing for the rest of her life, so finishing

her education is a top priority.

Most of her weekends are spent at home because she is tired from working and needs the time to do schoolwork.

For people who are contemplating working and going to school, Ms. Harvard gives the following advice. "If you have to work, do it because in the long run it will pay off in your favor. If you do not have to work, don't because you could miss out on a lot."

Marcus Petty is a former CAU student from Atlanta who will be returning to Clark in the fall. He sat out a semester to save enough money for tuition for the upcoming semester. He attended Atlanta Metropolitan College

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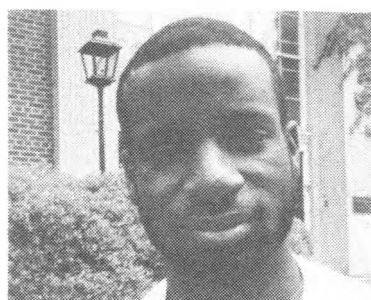
## How do you feel about Congressman John Lewis speaking at CAU's May 91' Commencement Ceremony?



**Tammi Gwinn, 22**  
**Senior Marketing major**  
"We have enough illustrious alumni who are qualified to inspire us that we shouldn't have to reach outside the CAU realm. If we do reach outside the CAU family, it should be to choose someone who is a good role model; someone to emulate. I would have chosen someone like Marva Collins, Joshua Smith or even Oprah Winfrey. John Lewis was chosen because of politics. We need to keep political inclinations out of the school environment."

**Mark Tyler, 24**  
**Senior Religion Major**

"I've been trying to be less critical of those so-called former Civil Rights leaders. I think Congressman Lewis has contributed a lot to the Black struggle, but not in ways I would have liked. He has done some things that are positive to Black people. My first choice for a speaker would have been Reverend George Stallings. He is a trend-setter. He is moving in the direction that I think Africans ought to be moving; independent in thought, word and deed."



## Thoughts

# 51%

This is the percentage of Panther readers surveyed who think the 1990-91 SGA did a competent job while in office.

## Hard Workers

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during the fall.

He says that he has worked for so long that it has become habit. When he was in school there was no such thing as eight hours of sleep. He went to class in the morning from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from there to his job at Upton's Department Store and worked from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Petty estimated that he would finish his homework between 12 midnight and 1 a.m.

"I can't really think about going out until I know everything that needs to be done is done," says Petty. "It is important to be disciplined and be a good manager of your time, especially if you have more than one job."

Arsan Saulnier is a public relations major from New Brunswick, N.J. She is a self-supported, independent student

who works at Eckard's, Arthur Anderson and Company accounting firm and as a tutor at the Student Support Center.

"Working makes you appreciate going to school more," says Ms. Saulnier. "Students who do not work can go to class, go home and study, but working is added pressure."

She feels that education should be first priority and that people should not work if they do not have to.

"Having a job gives you a sense of responsibility and prepares you for the work force, but sometimes it can be depressing," says Miss Saulnier. "I know that I am not the only one doing this and that is my inspiration to keep going."

# The Naked Truth

By William H. Blackburn  
Staff Writer

Walk through James P. Brawley Drive on a day when the temperature is reeking with humidity and visions of a sneak preview of the Ebony Fashion Fair will immediately dance in your head.

The sight of Perry Ellis, Liz Claiborne, Tommy Hilfinger and Bloomingdales name tags are as equally visual as books of accounting, marketing, and Spanish. Yet, the characters in these pictures are not models, but Clark Atlanta University students.

From freshmen to seniors to graduate students, the campus is the ideal place to debut your hottest and newest outfit. "Everybody is trying to look good to attract some attention," said Marcus Keith, a CAU junior. "The first thing people look at is what you have on."

While sheer outfits, silk shirts and rayon suits draw an endless amount of compliments, it's the array of strapless bras, miniskirts, shorts and open shirts that receive the ooh's and aah's. The revealing look has taken centerstage around campus, and it has produced a number of co-stars.

"The hottest items among the females seems to be the suggestive clothes," said Rodney Carter, a CAU senior. "They are wearing the clothing that shows off a lot of body parts." Borrowing from the closets of Madonna and Pebbles, the females students have made stimulating attire the vogue of the moment. As the temperatures rise, seductive miniskirts, alluring bras that showcase parts of the breast and a assortment of erotic shorts replace the traditional springtime sights of birds, bees and ice cream treats.

"When it gets as humid as it does here in Atlanta, I feel more comfortable not wearing a lot of clothes," said Mona Evans. "I don't wear my outfits just to get guys, I do it because it gets so hot here that clothes seem to melt on you." Evans, a sophomore from Pittsburgh, added that most of her friends are into the suggestive look also. "We're not trying to look fast or anything, we're just out to look good and feel comfortable at the same time."

While the female students flaunt their sex appeal, their male counterparts exhibit a portion of that same suggestive look using a masculine approach. The miniskirts and bras are replaced by unbuttoned shirts and close-fitting shorts.

"Guys seem to be trying to compete with the girls," said Tasha Pointe. "They try to show off their chest by having their shirts open or by wearing a jacket without a shirt."

Unlike the female students, some of the male students confess that their style of dress is designed to draw attention from the opposite sex. "When I get up and dress in the mornings, I try to pick out something that is going to draw the attention of females," said Anthony Witis, a CAU junior. "I usually decide on something that will show off my body and look nice at the same time."

However, while the suggestive look around campus is generally accepted, it raises the question of professionalism. One of the stereotypes that has plagued African Americans for years is the appearance factor.

## AFRICAN AMERICANS VIEW DRESS CODE AT WHITE COLLEGES

While the fashions at CAU range from suggestive to sharp to expensive, African American students at White colleges have but one style-conservative.

The names of Guess, Gap, Nike and Addidas are the choices for popular hang-out outfits. Aside from a pair or two of khaki pants for the males and a skirt or a dress for the females, there is no evidence of the students being fashion conscious.

"I could care less about what I wear to class," said Maurice Wooten, a junior at Georgia Tech. "The black students here are not worried about fashions, the only thing in fashion at Tech is going to class." The St. Louis native added that there are two types of African American students at White colleges-athletes and serious students.

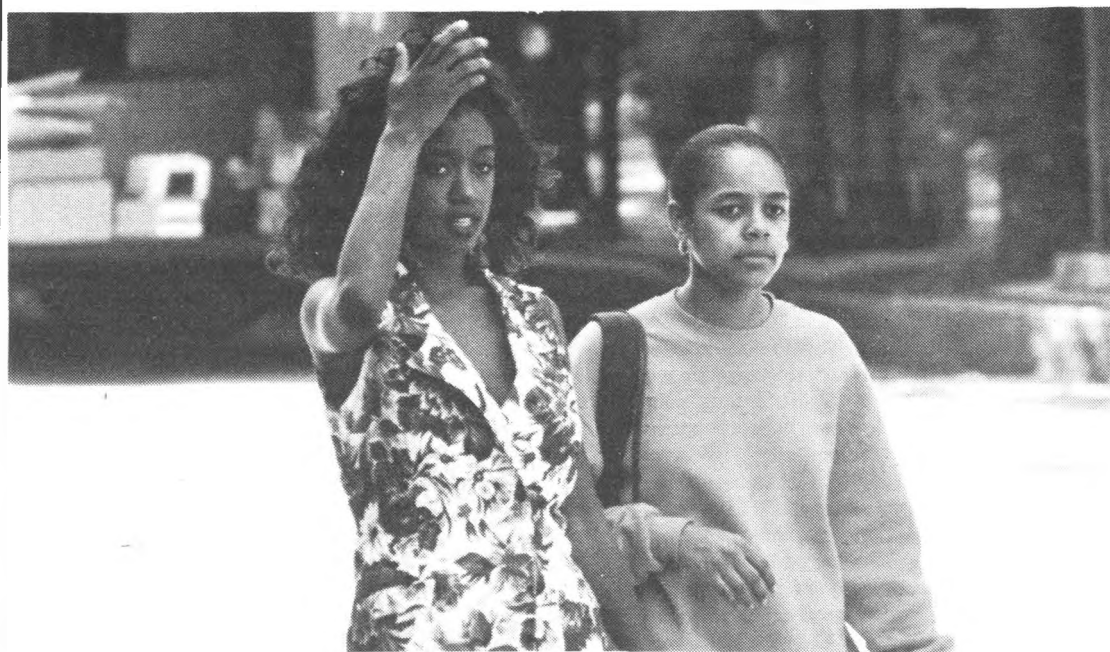
"Nobody that I hang around with is concerned about wearing high priced clothes and the athletes could really care less."

Athletes are traditionally known as carefree dressers who prefer jogging suits and Nikes over Willie Wear and patent leather shoes. However, this casual style of dress has also rubbed off on the non-athletic portion of the student body.

"I like to wear a pair of jeans and a T-shirt to class," said Latriece Meyers. "The students here at Emory (University) don't care about what you have on." Miss Meyers, a sophomore accounting major, said that her closet consist of jeans, T-shirts, two skirts and a dress. In addition, Miss Meyers added that most of the African American students at Emory dress casual and comfortable. "At White colleges jeans and a shirt are about as fancy as it gets around here. The students are into calculus and marketing not Liz Claiborne and Esprit."

The students at the White colleges believe that the competitive fashion atmosphere that is evident at African American colleges is not conducive to success. "I don't have to wear a \$200 outfit to class to pass my biology test," said Antwon Mathis, a senior at Georgia Tech. "Students at the Black schools are more concerned about styles and slangs." The students also agree that their first priority is class, while the students at CAU believe that looking fashionable is their top priority. "I'm here to go to school and not hang out and try to look like a model," said Mathis. "I don't need Perry Ellis to be down with the boys."

One in the same race but different in the trend department, African American students at White colleges will continue to stroll to the bookstore instead of Macy's and Sak's Fifth Avenue, while the fashion show on James P. Brawley Drive will proceed under sunny skies to the tune of "If My Friends Could See Me Now".



CAU Students flaunt summer fashions.



## Leon Ends 1st Season

Kenny Leon, the Clark College graduate whose appointment as the Alliance Theatre's artistic director literally made history, will conclude his first season by taking center stage in one of August Wilson's most memorable roles. He will play Levee, the dynamic trumpeter in "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom," at the Alliance Theatre until June 2. The opening night is May 1.

As an actor, Leon has been seen on virtually every stage in the city as well as on television and screen. He is the only black artistic director of a major American theater, with the exception of Lloyd Richards, who will retire from Yale Repertory Theatre in June. Prior to his appointment as artistic director, he was a member of the Academy Theatre's resident company for nine years.

His recent acting credits include Jomandi's production of "That Serious He-Man Ball," "Swize Banize Is Dead" at the San Jose Repertory Theatre, "Master Harold .. and the boys" in that Alliance Studio, and a special guest appearance on two episodes of NBC's "In the Heat of the Night."

Dwight Andrews will direct Leon in his Mainstage debut. Andrews, musical director for all of Wilson's work on Broadway, will debut as a director with this award-winning play.

Leon will share the spotlight with Sandra McClain who will portray the charismatic, shrewd songbird, Gertrude "Ma" Rainey. McClain has appeared in numerous Broadway productions including "For Colored Girls," "Bubbling Brown Sugar," and "The River Niger." Her off-Broadway credits include "From the Mississippi Delta," "The Colored Museum," and "Black Girl."

Gertrude "Ma" Rainey was born in Columbus, Ga., in 1886. This legendary singer defined the "classic" blues style which featured a strong, clear, unequivocal melody line, rich in blue notes, and delivered in tones which are poignant, regal and intensely moving.

Show times for "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom" are Tuesday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Matinees will be offered on some Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$16-29. For ticket information, call 892-2414



Featured in the photo is Sandra McClain as Ma Rainey along with her back-up band, (from left to right) Frederick Charles Canada, John Lawhorn, Hugh Hurd (seated) and Kenny Leon. "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom" recreates a recording session with legendary songbird Gertrude "Ma" Rainey in a seedy Chicago studio in 1927.

## Atlanta Offers Bargain Partying For Students

By NICHELL J. TAYLOR  
Contributing Writer

A good party—one that is "hype," "dope," "slammin'," "pumped-up" or "smooth," depending on one's tastes—is an integral, and often necessary part of college "culture."

Whether you like top 40, house, hip-hop, new-jack, jazz or rap, the heart of Atlanta beats with a variety of clubs for crowds under and over age 21.

But there is one problem. Clubs can be expensive, and most Atlanta University Center students cannot regularly afford to expand their already-tight budgets. The following information will help students find the best party in town.

One of the most popular 21-and-over clubs downtown is Dominique's, located at 505 Peachtree St., N.E., which bears the name of Atlanta Hawks' star forward, Dominique Wilkins. The 1200-person capacity dance palace features two dance floors and a "relaxed, mellow" atmosphere on some nights and "high-energy" during others, said manager Wanda Wilkins, sister of the club's namesake.

"Our clientele is mainly 25 and over. It's not your younger crowd. We don't dim our lights too dark so you can't see the person your dancing next to," she said. "Once a student enters college, he may want to party with an older crowd and not with someone with a teenage mentality. We can offer that."

Dominique's is open Wednesdays through Saturdays until 3 or 4 a.m. playing variations of rhythm and blues. Wednesday is Ladies' Night, when women are admitted free all night and men must pay a \$5 cover charge. This night also stages a hot pants and miniskirt contest so ladies may "strut their stuff."

Thursday is Men's Night when the men get in free until 11 p.m., after which they must pay \$5. Ladies pay a \$5 cover all night. Thursday is also V-103 night from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. Regular admission is \$8 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday night (Jazz Night). The most "live" party night, Ms. Wilkins said, is Saturday until 4 a.m.

Further up the street at 571 Peachtree is The Parrot, which is "strictly jazz," said Rene' Castro, general manager of the 21 and over, full-staff restaurant, which features live bands Tuesday through Saturday nights.

Tuesday and Wednesday, Morehouse College musical director Ron Smith and his band, The Jazz Collective, soothe their audience. Thursday and Sunday, the William Green Trio performs, and Friday and Saturday highlights the sounds of Simon Carter and the Northside Band. Club admission is free except for the \$6 charge Friday and Saturday.

Friday from 6-8 p.m., The Parrot has the "hottest Happy Hour in town" with free admission and dinner buffet, said Castro.

Deion's features variations of rhythm and blues and caters mainly to a crowd between 25 and 35 years old, although anyone over 21 is admitted. The scene is usually energetic with the two-level, 400-person dance floor as the main attraction, said Jo Wheeler, assistant manager.

"We have about a 750 capacity, but we usually get out 900 people in here on our busy nights," Ms. Wheeler said.

Patrons can party Wednesday from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., Thursday from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m., Friday 5 p.m. to 4 a.m. and Saturday 8 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free Wednesday until 11 p.m. Then cost is \$3. Thursday, Ladies Night, featuring an exotic male dance review, is free for women until 11 p.m., then cost is \$3. Men pay \$5 all night. Happy Hour is Thursday and Friday with the regular provisions. Friday and Saturday cost is \$7 all night.

Interstate 20 east to 2572 Candler Rd. in Decatur awaits Club Michaels, another over-21, rhythm and blues club that features "College Night" Wednesday from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m.

"It's so packed in here that you can't move," said manager Pam Childs. The 800-capacity establishment has two dance floors that fit 500 people. Club Michaels even charts a bus every Wednesday to pick up students from all Atlanta black colleges free of charge. The bus runs about every hour, she said. Students can call 241-8299 for times and routes.

College night is free for ladies and \$4 for men until 10 p.m. Then everyone pays \$5. Thursday is the familiar Ladies Night when women are admitted free until 11 p.m., then cost is \$5. Men pay \$7 all night.

Club Michaels offers Happy Hour Thursday 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday 4 to 8:30 p.m. with free admission. On these days, when the after-work crowd disperses, the "jam" rages until 4 a.m. On Tuesday night for a \$5 charge, V-103 and Coca-Cola sponsor and tape a dance party, which airs Wednesday night on Channel 36.

There are, however, clubs in Atlanta specifically for young adults between ages 14 and 21.

Sharon's Showcase, located at 2549 Gresham Rd., S.E. highlights rap and dance Saturday only from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. and hold 700 people. Cost is \$6. Celebrities Al B. Sure, 2 Live Crew and Michel 'le have performed there, according to owner Sharon Blakely.

Other under-21 establishments are Mardi Gras at 6300 Powers Ferry Rd., N.W. for house and dance lovers and Screamin' Wheels for adults and teens at 1724 Steward Ave., S.W., where patrons can enjoy the dance floor or the large roller skating rink.

All of the establishments mentioned share the ability to attract some of the biggest names in entertainment. Who knows? Some day, you and Kim Fields may exchange phone numbers. Or Wesley Snipes, who has been spotted at Dominique's, may buy you a drink.

"It's packed in there then. This is mainly a black, classy sophisticated, professional clientele. The high-society crowd of doctors and lawyers will definitely offer students an alternative if they really like jazz," said Castro. "It is not a dance club. The sit-down party where sometimes you want to chill also makes for an ideal first date."

Even further up the road at Colony Square in Midtown is Petrus, "the largest dance club in the Southeast," with a 7,000 square foot dance floor that fits 3,000 people, said Wayne Socco, front manager. Approximately 6,000 can fit inside the club's various components including a cafe area, champagne room, patio, lobby and pool area, he said.

All kind of music from rock to rap make this cosmopolitan establishment one of the most popular hangouts among such famous personalities as Whoopie Goldberg, Kim Fields, Emilio Estevez, Grace Jones and "In the Heat of the Night," cast members.

"You name it, it's here. If it ain't, it'll arrive in five minutes" said Sacco. "People choose us because everyone is treated fairly and everyone is carded--age 8 to 80, blind, crippled or crazy!"

Club hours are Sunday through Friday, 5 p.m. to 4 a.m. and Saturday 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. featuring progressive music on Thursday. A mostly gay crowd frequents on Tuesday and Sunday night for \$3, but everyone, regardless of sexual orientation, is welcome. Wednesday, Ladies Night, women are admitted free all night and men pay \$5. Thursday and Friday cost is \$5 and Saturday \$7.

North to Buckhead, bouncer Jerry Singleton raves about the more intimate, soulful setting of Zasu's, located at 1923 Peachtree Rd. Zasu's dance floor holds about 60 people in the 300 capacity club, he said.

"You get good music in a nice, clean atmosphere, perfect for socializing," Singleton said. "Some clubs are so crowded, you can't really socialize closely," he said. He added that patrons must be mature and well-dressed. "If they're not, I simply don't let them in."

Zasu's allows organizations to host private parties and set their own admission fee Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday while keeping the club open to the public. Thursday is Ladies Night when V-103 broadcasts The Quiet Storm radio program live. Jazz and Happy Hour with free admission and buffet is Thursday and Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. The best time to party, is Saturday between 11 p.m. and 2 a.m., Singleton said. Most of the time Zasu's lets the crowd determine closing time. Admission is free all nights until 10:30 p.m. when cost is \$5.

North to Marietta--about 15 minutes away-- to 3000 Windy Hill Rd. is Deion's Club 21 (formerly Dominique's), named after another star athlete, Deion Sanders who plays with the Atlanta Braves.



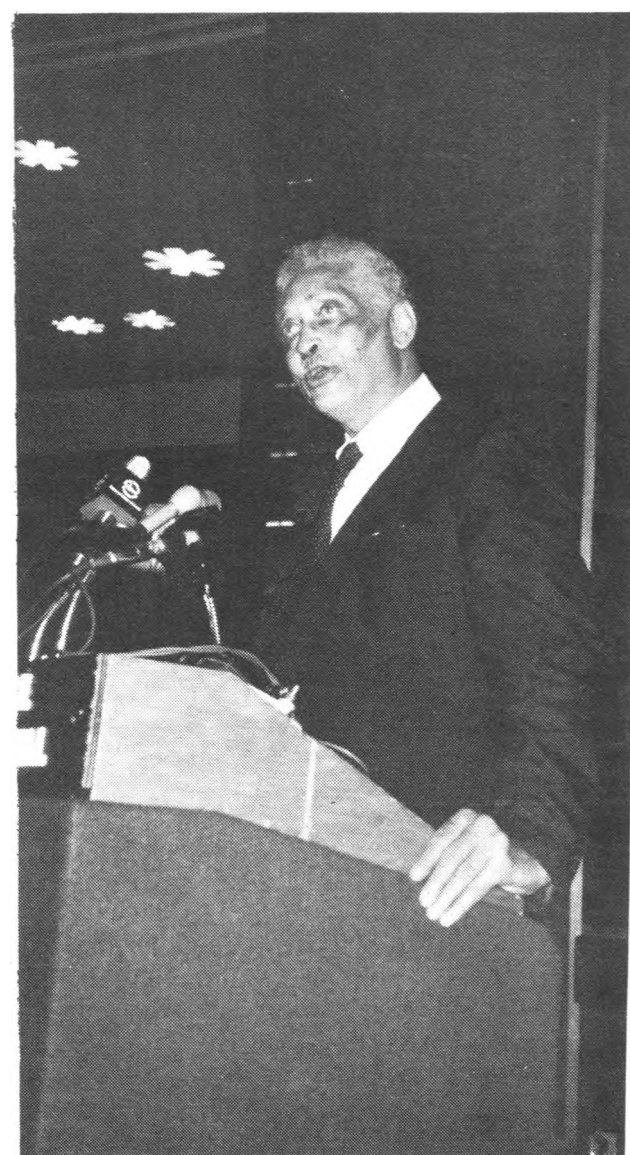
# Scenes From the Ivory Coast Summit...



Dick Gregory, activist and summit delegate, arrives in Adidjan.



Ivorian's tribute to the summit through dance and music.



Summit convener, Rev. Leon H. Sullivan, addresses delegates at formal banquet.

## Photos By Dwan Pete

### African Summit

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The summit consisted of 250 African American delegates and 400 African delegates that met in an attempt to promote ties between their two countries and make sure Africa is not left behind in the re-ordering of global economies.

Prior to the summit Rev. Sullivan announced that it will focus on strategies to promote "the development of Africa, to create closer cooperation between Africans and African Americans and better American and African relationships in support of Africa. Pete confirmed the content of the summit and said that it followed the outline given by Rev. Sullivan.

Pete stated that it focused on ways to advance education, health, food production, job opportunities, industrialization and economic growth in Africa.

"There were a lot of preachers there and some of the speeches

were a lot of rhetoric, but there were several positive speeches given also. If the leaders remain true to their commitments made at the summit, a lot can be done for Africa and the United States", said Pete.

As a critique he said that the summit was "too meeting oriented". Pete added, "It was good and everything, but we should have gone to the city to see the people so that we could have gotten first-hand information".

Nevertheless, he said that it was an overwhelming experience. Pete commented, "When you thought about what you were attending and the fact that there were seven African heads of state there, you really felt that you were a part of something historic".

To balance off the business trip the delegates did participate in some extracurricular activities. According to Pete the student delegates shopped at the African market, visited the

capital of Yamoussoukro and viewed the Basilica of Our Lady Peace Cathedral, which is the largest basilica in the world. To top everything off all of the delegates were invited to President Felix Houphouet-Boigny's palace for lunch. Houphouet-Boigny is the head of the Ivory Coast government..

Pete added that because there were several business leaders at the summit, students were also given the opportunity to network.

In addition to taking part in a historic event, the student delegates also made history. They formed the National African Student Alliance which will be responsible for focusing on ways students can help develop African and African American relations. Pete said that at the summit the were named the founding members of the alliance.



Basilica of Our Lady of Peace Cathedral in Yamoussoukro, Ivory Coast. This is the largest basilica in the world.

# Simama Helps Plan Olympics

By **PIERCE W. HUFF**  
Staff writer

Dr. Jabari Simama leans back and relaxes in a chair in his office at the Clark Atlanta University Mass Communications Center.

Simama, a City Councilman for Atlanta's Third District, was recently named to the Metropolitan Atlanta Olympic Games Authority (MAOGA) and has become one of the major players as the city prepares to host the 1996 Olympics.

For Simama, time is valuable and he makes that known right away. In less than 45 minutes, he's to meet with people to oversee the plans of a tribute to his being named to the MAOGA.

Simama has been a breath of fresh air to Atlanta politics as the city watches the ongoing power struggle between Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson and Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games (ACOG) President Billy Payne. He has urged the city's leaders to convince citizens that they will pursue means to improve the quality of living with the same vigor that they showed going after the Olympics.

"When the city went for the Olympics, there was nothing that could stop it and the people knew that," Simama said. "Now,



the elected officials have to be committed to making new developments and providing new opportunities."

After Atlanta was awarded the Olympics last year, Simama questioned its plans to build an Olympic Village at Georgia Tech. He proposed that the city look at the area near the Georgia Dome.

"That idea died because as it relates to the Olympics, the black leadership is concerned about trying to be real cooperative," Simama said. "The black leadership is afraid to raise important issues and questions."

As a part of the city's plans for the '96 Games, improvements will be made to Morris Brown's Herndon Stadium and a new Olympic-size swimming pool will be built at an undetermined site in the Atlanta University Center (AUC). Simama, however, said that the schools in the AUC could have gotten more.

"I think that the universities hurt themselves by not being unified enough," Simama said. "The schools in the AUC were competing amongst themselves and when the black community shows disunity, it gives the white community an excuse for ignoring it. I'm still not convinced that the presidents of the schools got together and came up with a unified plan."

Simama has also worked to ensure that minority businesses get the 35 percent of business ventures promised by the ACOG.

"Overall, the ACOG will only do the minimum to meet its minority business goals," Simama said. "There is a tendency of people in control to look out for themselves and we have to realize that the ACOG is not a black organization."

Simama's main cause in the Olympic struggle has been Atlanta's homeless community. He suggests that the city provide housing for the homeless after the Games by donating the Olympic housing.

"I think that the homeless population is a mirror of society," Simama said. "I want to see (the city's political leaders) begin to look at the multifaceted nature of the homeless problem and if the Olympics are an excuse to get started, then let's get started."

## Picard Hopes for Int'l Linkage

By **TONYA LATIMER**  
News Editor

Directed by Dr. Shelby Lewis, vice president for research and sponsored programs, the office of international programs is responsible for coordinating and expanding international programs of Clark Atlanta University.

"It's basically an umbrella for all of the international activities that take place at the University", said Dr. Earl Picard, director of international training programs.

He added that the center is actively developing a linking relationship with universities over seas so that the students and faculty of CAU can participate in student and faculty exchange programs, collaborative research and joint program development. "We have written proposals seeking funding for the linking activity, but have nothing definite yet. Nevertheless, we expect to go forward with or without the secured funding", said Dr. Picard.

He added, "We hope to have several linkages with over seas universities to allow our students to spend summers over there and for their students to spend summers over here as part of a regular collaboration." He said that this will give CAU visibility and contacts that will ultimately bring students to the university.

Dr. Picard added that the office of international programs indirectly serves a recruitment function for the University to diversify the student body. He believes this is made possible through communication. He said, "The students will go home and tell about their experiences and about the University and persons from their country will send their brothers and sisters, sons and daughters and colleagues to the University."

He explained that the center will never reach a point where every student can travel abroad at the university's expense, but in the end it does hope to give a large number of students the opportunity to travel to Africa.

"Some responsibility must fall on the student", said Dr. Picard. He explained how so many opportunities go unanswered by regressing to the first time he traveled to Africa. He said that he merely noticed a sign at his undergraduate institution and responded. After a long application process and the fact that he was the only one to apply, he won the trip to Africa.

Dr. Picard referred to his experience to emphasize to students how they must avail themselves to opportunities such as his and search them out. He added that it helps to be a good student because C and D students usually aren't considered for such opportunities.

"There is a lot that needs to be done to expand funding. We need energetic people with persistence to make these things possible", said Dr. Picard.

He admitted that when the center promotes CAU, they promote Atlanta as well. "We know that Atlanta has the attention of everyone in the world because of the Olympics and everything. Everywhere I travel internationally people can relate in some positive way to Atlanta", he said.

"Whereas, people use to come to the United States to visit Los Angeles, New York and Washington, more international travelers are now coming to Atlanta. We let students know that when they come to CAU, they are coming to Atlanta, the most progressive city for African Americans", said Dr. Picard.

feature discussions on women in non-unionized work environments, the role of race, class and sex in labor, perspectives on women and labor in different economic systems, family work conflicts, international case studies of women in labor unions and similar organizations and "back home" action strategies.

Besides the several workshops that will be conducted by experts in their fields, there will be site visits to several public and private enterprises.

Mary Macy's Restaurant, Ponce DeLeon Avenue and Midtown Atlanta will be some of the areas scheduled to be visited during the seminar. Universities in Atlanta and the southeast, corporations, business organizations and the New Orleans Jazz Festival will also be visited by this foreign delegation.

This is the first time the Department of Labor has held a major women's issues conference on the campus of a historically black college or university.

## New Task Force Organized

By **AYODEJI GRIFFIN**  
Contributing Writer

Nearly four months after Clark Atlanta University freshmen, Duane Goodman, was killed during a robbery attempt near the campus, Atlanta University Center (AUC) officials have created a new student safety plan.

According to Julian Pless, the Atlanta University Center's Chief of Police, the new AUC Security Task Force purpose is to police and protect the college community, interact with the Atlanta Police Department and all campus police and security forces, and to provide a safe environment for the students, faculty and staff.

"The task force consists of 15 officers that are post-certified by the state of Georgia who has the authority to arrest anyone within 500 yards of the AUC, including the University Homes housing project," said Pless.

He added that each unit will have strict patrol duties such as car stops and burglary investigations. "We will not conduct any security duties. We will just concentrate on street crimes at and around the Atlanta University Center," said Pless.

Pless said that the new security task force for its six campuses- CAU, Morris Brown, Morehouse, Morehouse School of Medicine, Spelman and the Interdenominational Theological Center also includes a new communications network, improved shuttle service and new intervention programs.

According to Pless, the present campus security communication systems will be on the same communication wavelength and share a common radio frequency with the new task force.

He also stated that the new AUC task force will provide four-14 passenger vans that will run every 20 minutes throughout the AUC and then connecting to the West End and Vine City MARTA stations. Furthermore, The task force will provide signs to indicate van stops. The shuttle service, which is scheduled to start in the fall semester, will run between the hours of 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. The AUC task force will officially verify all days and time schedules in August.

"We are encouraging students to use the service. It's going to take a push from the students to make the shuttle service successful," said Pless.

According to Pless, the new AUC security task force will continue to make the campuses a safe environment for all people and give each institution the opportunity to have a multi-jurisdictional police force to patrol and police each campus and its surrounding areas.

## S.S.S. Students Honored

By **JAYME L. BRADFORD**  
Contributing Writer

Student Support Services is a trio program on Clark Atlanta University's campus that serves the needs of students by offering employment, tutoring, financial aid and personal/career counseling, and cultural awareness.

Dr. William A. Reed is the director of Student Support Services and Special Programs. Sylvia B. Little and Priscilla Flowers are the counselors for the program.

Over 200 students are currently enrolled in the program. This organization extends support to students who are financially impaired and/or first generation collegians.

Last Thursday at the Wyndham Hotel, Student Support Services honored its participants who have attained academic excellence and been active in the program.

Dr. Melvin R. Webb, the Dean of the School of Education, served as the keynote speaker. Presently, Dr. Webb has brought over \$15 million in grants to the education department.

Webb challenged the students to take their education seriously, because African Americans are lowly represented in doctoral degrees in every field.

According to Webb, students will be able to receive their high school education without ever being taught by African American instructors.

## Senior Blues

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However, this year at the last minute an additional charge was tacked on to the original fee of \$40, causing seniors to become angered by the ordeal.

They were also told by word of mouth and through letters sent only to parents about the decision. Making matters worse, if the fee was not paid by April 24, a \$300 reinstatement charge would be added to the students' balance and if it was not paid, the senior could not graduate.

Since then Donald K. Murphy, vice president for budget and finance at CAU, has circulated another memorandum stating that the university has taken the students concerns and re-evaluated its decision as well as its obligation to implement Board-approved rates. Through student pressure the fees were decreased to \$55 and the date to pay the fees was extended to May 1. The letter also says that refunds will be given to any seniors who paid \$75.

After battling administration for fair fees, seniors still look forward to graduation day. Both Ms. Borrum and Harris along with several classmates say that they will come back and support the school either through money or their personal representation.

"I'm confident the school has prepared me if not for my field to deal with unfair decisions and how to continuously fight until your point is heard," says Harris. "My senior blues will soon into senior relief after graduation day."

## Women's Conference

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School of Social Work welcoming the participants and introducing sponsors and workshop mediators.

At 12 p.m., Barbara Jones, Dean of the School of Business and Economics at Prairie View University, will conduct a workshop that discusses the theoretical framework of women in the workplace, historical experiences, the labor market and formal barriers that exist for women. Other seminars will



## Hamilton Goes In Sixth

By Stephanie Sanders  
Contributing Writer

For one day of his collegiate career, Millard Hamilton was advised to skip class and hang around the hotel with Neil Allen, his agent. Hamilton's two day wait ended with the call, with the magical words, Millard, we are going to draft you in the sixth round.

The quick, elusive wide receiver for the Panthers' is on his way to Buffalo, N.Y. Hamilton was selected in the sixth round of the National Football League's 1991 draft April 22 by the Buffalo Bills.

Hamilton is the first player ever selected from CAU. Before the consolidation of Clark College and Atlanta University in 1988, it has been 16 years since Clark last produced a NFL draftee. Only tight-end Morris Stroud and Greg McCrary have been drafted from Clark.

Hamilton was selected 28 hours after the start of this year's draft. He said he was pleased being selected by the Bills because they were in the 1990 Superbowl.

The 23-year old senior from Ridgeland, S.C. said he is looking forward to graduation

and receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree in Physical Education. This is yet another accomplishment added to Hamilton's belt of success.

During the draft, Hamilton said he was tense. With the help of a friend, Jowuan Wright, better known as "JAG," kept a lot of the tension down for Hamilton.

"While I was watching the draft, Jag was telling jokes and that kept the tension down," Hamilton said. "I was able to relax more and keep things in perspective. But, when I heard my name called, my reaction was kind of delayed. I wasn't sure whether to drop to my knees and pray or what."

Hamilton is not only looking for a bright future for himself, but also for his family. Right now, he said all he wants to do is help his family, make the team and do as good as he

possibly can. And he knows that he's going to receive more than enough support from his parents Maggie and Preston Hamilton.

Approximately, 60 scouts came out to see Hamilton this season. In 1990, he made 50 catches for 997 yards, returned 8 punts for 83 yards and

ran back 30 kickoffs for 800 yards. Hamilton finished with 5,008 career yards during his four-year tenure at CAU. But now he's looking to make his own records in the NFL.

Hamilton said Walter Payton and Jerry Rice are just two of the men who he admires in the game because you hear only positive statements about both. Also, both attended predominantly African American schools and standout in the NFL. Hamilton said that he expects to make rookie of the year, be the leading receiver on the team and make the Pro Bowl. True enough this will take a lot of hard work and determination, but Hamilton said he's ready to pay his dues.

After receiving the call from Buffalo, "Thank you," and "Thank God" were the responses he gave for being selected by the Bills.

Hamilton said he would like to thank the Panther football team, the coaching staff and the CAU student body for their support through the season. Hamilton would like to submit special thanks to the offensive line for great coverage and a job well done.



Hamilton said he was happy being selected by the Buffalo Bills because they represented the American Football Conference in the 1990 Superbowl.

## Tennis Ends

By ANTHONY GEORGE  
Sports Editor

The Clark Atlanta women tennis team breezed through the Tuskegee Relays, as they finished the regular season undefeated, 13-0.

The lady Panthers defeated Morris Brown 5-1, Tuskegee 6-0 and Miles 6-0 on April 19. They defeated Fort Valley 5-2 April 20.

The men finished the Tuskegee Relays 2-2. They posted two victories over Morris Brown 5-1, 5-1. They dropped a match to Fort Valley 0-6 and Tuskegee 0-6.

Coach Oliver McClendon said the men did not play up to their potential.

"Tuskegee and Fort Valley wanted those matches more than we did," McClendon said. "It is not that they are physically better than us, but both teams (Tuskegee and Fort Valley) were really up that day."

If you are really up, you have a good chance of winning."

Overall, the Panthers finished third in the relays. The men finished the regular season 9-4.

**Other Notables:** Ronica Harris and Cathy Simon continued their mastery over their opponents as they won all of their matches during the Tuskegee Relays. Both finished the regular season 13-1.

Rain and sleet prevented the Southern

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## Track Ends

By ANTHONY GEORGE  
Sports Editor

Competing in a rain storm, the Clark Atlanta University track team finished their season in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference finals in Normal, Al. April 27.

The CAU men finished third and the women second. Morehouse College finished first with 157 points, Alabama A&M second with 128 points, and CAU finished with 104 points. The remaining team scorers were: 4. Albany State 39; 5. Fort Valley (33); 6. LeMoyne Owen (25); 7-8. Morris Brown and Savannah State (24); 9. Tuskegee (9); 10. Paine (0).

First-place finishers for the CAU men were: Clint Gray 21.47 200 meter sprint; Serpias Irby 14.35, 110 meter hurdles; Oshun Williams 800 meter run 1:56:60 and 400 meter relay.

Alabama A&M dominated the women track events, as they won 15 out of 17 events, finishing with 251 points. CAU and Paine College finished with 52. The remaining teams finished: 4. Paine (48); 5. Albany State (36); 6. Fort Valley (25); 7. Tuskegee (24); 8. Morris Brown (16).

## Winners and Losers of 1990-91



By ANTHONY GEORGE  
SPORTS EDITOR

The 1990-91 school year produced some big winners and losers for the athletic teams and department. Just to mention a few:

**Winner: Willie Hunter.** The head football coach guided the Panthers to their most victories in 12 years. Next season is looks even more prosperous.

**Loser: Robert Pritchett:** After guiding the men's basketball team to a winning record in two years, his team was barred from participating in the SIAC and NCAA tournament. The men's basketball team is returning all but one player.

**Winner: Millard Hamilton.** After four consecutive solid seasons at CAU, Hamilton will be rewarded with an opportunity to play in the National Football League.

**Loser: Marlow Roberson.** After being highly recruited out of Atlanta's Archer High School, Roberson struggled his first three years at quarterback for the Panthers. With the addition of this season's new improved offensive line, Roberson threw up some impressive numbers. Unfortunately for him, a little too late.

**Winner: Women's tennis team.** Playing without any seniors, they have dominated the SIAC, and all will return next season.

**Loser: Elmer Mixon.** Put in a position to coach the women's basketball team, he had to little talent to work with from a team that went 9-16 the previous year. This season he will have an opportunity to recruit players he wants to run his system.

**Winner: Dr. Raymond Hughes.**

Despite the intramural basketball season being terminated because of a lack of funds, he was able to devise a basketball tournament that allowed intramural players to still have an opportunity to compete in organized athletics.

**Loser: Raymond Williams.** The former athletic director quit after only three years on the job. Somebody forgot to tell him that they are building a dynasty in the athletic department.

**Winner: The Athletic Department.** They now have a sports editor on the Panther newspaper staff that will not allow news of the Hawks, Falcons, Braves, or any other sports franchise to leak on the paper. Only sports events related to the SIAC is allowed!

## AUC Controls SIAC

The SIAC men athletics is dominated by Atlanta University Center. Okay, take out football, and each winner is located off I-20, the West End Exit.

**Basketball.** The SIAC tournament champion was Morehouse College. CAU was a legitimate contender if they would have participated, and Morris Brown won their region.

**Track.** Morehouse convincingly won the SIAC track tournament. CAU finished third out of 10 teams.

**Tennis.** Even though the tournament was cancelled, Morehouse clearly has the best tennis team in the SIAC. CAU, Tuskegee and Fort Valley all are legitimate contenders.

Next season, football may fall into the category of the AUC reign. Alabama currently holds a monopoly of the football talent, but some of it graduated this season. With the exception of Morehouse, the SIAC needs to look out for CAU and Morris Brown.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who helped contribute writing stories, and those who helped me write my stories.

# Seniors Bid Their Farewell To CAU

**By Anthony George and Stephanie Sanders**

This year, many Clark Atlanta University athletes unofficially retired from their respected sport. Many of these athletes will focus their career paths in the area where they will receive their degree, or continue their education in graduate school. Here is a profile of all seniors who played athletics for the Panthers this season.

## FOOTBALL

**Millard Hamilton, 23**  
Hometown: Ridgeland, S.C.  
Major: Physical Education

Millard Hamilton was drafted by the Buffalo Bills in the sixth round of the NFL '91 draft. He plans to make the team and do the best job that he can. Hamilton also aspires to be the rookie of the year, leading receiver for the Bills and possibly make it to the Pro Bowl.

His most memorable moment was during his junior year, Hamilton made two touchdowns and two interceptions for 160 yards against North Carolina Central University.

Millard's final comments were to thank the coaching staff, student body and special thanks to the offensive line.

**Marlow Roberson, 21**  
Hometown: Atlanta, Ga.  
Major: Community Health Education

Roberson intends to further his education at the Sports Medicine Academy or the University of South Florida. If possible, he would like to play in the Canadian League, but he's not sure exactly what the future holds for him in football.

His most memorable moment at CAU was the game the Panthers defeated Fort Valley for the first time since he has been at CAU. Roberson accounted for four touchdowns.

Roberson's final comments include thanks to the coaching staff and his teammates. He said he will miss Clark and the football team but the Panthers' future looks bright.

**Richard Siebert, 22**  
Hometown: Richland, S.C.  
Major: Physical Education

Siebert's goals include graduating from CAU with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Physical Education. He would also like to try his hand at playing in the Canadian League. Ultimately, he would like to go back to his high school and work with the kids.

His most memorable moment at CAU was when he

first arrived at the university. He thought he was going to be immediate star. After a while, he came to realize that there was quite a lot of competition which he would eventually have to deal with.

## VOLLEYBALL

**K Ceakou Howell, 22**  
Hometown: St. Thomas, Virgin Islands  
Major: Radio, Television, and Film

Howell is playing the waiting game. She has applied to go to graduate school, but has not heard anything yet. If she continues her academic career, she will continue to play volleyball. She will attend a volleyball camp, and her ultimate goal is to play on a national team.

If she does not go to graduate school, Howell said she will work at a job in her major.

Her most memorable moment at CAU is playing in volleyball tournament at Paine College her junior year. She had three consecutive kills (spikes).

## BASKETBALL

**James Martin, 22**  
Hometown: Atlanta, Ga.  
Major: Business Management  
Martin recently competed in the Black College

Basketball Classic wooed many scouts from the National Basketball Association. The Indiana Pacers, Philadelphia 76'ers, Miami Heat and Milwaukee Bucks had representative to speak with Martin. Also, several International scouts were impressed with Martin, and may have an opportunity to tour Europe this summer. If basketball does not work out, Martin said he is ready to take on corporate America.

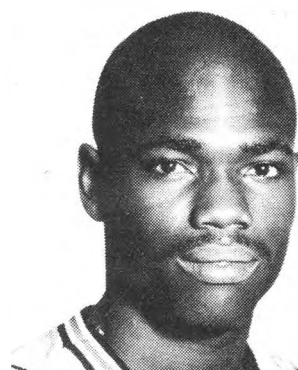
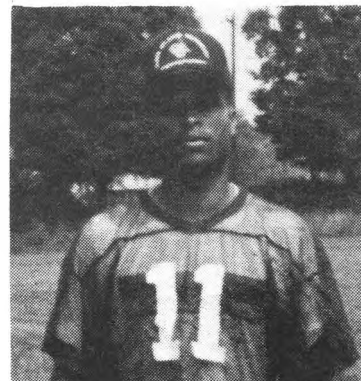
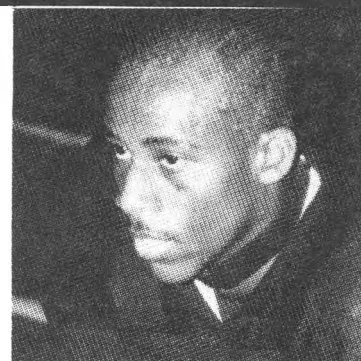
His most memorable moments at CAU is registration. He said it has prepared him mentally. His memorable game was against Alabama Montgomery, where he scored a career high 45 points this season.

Martin said if he could leave something at CAU, he would loan former teammate Edward Ward his leaping ability. He also said he gives his coach his best wishes.

**Note:**

The four track seniors could not be reached for comment

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Intercollegiate Athletic Association tennis tournament in Normal, Al. April 27. The tournament is tentatively rescheduled May 5 in Macon or South Fulton.



Pictured top to bottom: Millard Hamilton, Marlow Roberson and James Martin.

## Intramural Basketball Tournament Schedule

Falstaff 86	Falstaff			
Prop-Masters 66				
	APRIL 29 6:15			
Support Service 0(F)	Dogs			
Dogs 2				
		MAY 1 6:15		
Untouchables 36	Educators			
Educators 55	APRIL 29 7:30			
	Hoopsters			
Gold Rush 0(F)				
Hoopsters 2				
			CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	
Strickly Business 2	Stricktly Business			
Merner 0(F)				
	APRIL 30 6:15			
Brusers 41	Brusers			
Mob 28				
		MAY 1 7:30		
486'ers 35	Panthers			
Panthers 101	APRIL 30 7:30			
	Vets			
Vets 52				
Rio 49				
				CHAMPION